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SUBJ: LIMA DAILY SUSPENDS PUBLICATION

1. THE AFTERNOON DAILY TABLOID AFICION, SPECIALIZING IN SPORTS AND ENTERTAINMENT AND PUBLISHED AS THE AFTERNOON EDITION OF EL COMERCIO, SUSPENDED PUBLICATION MONDAY BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL DIFFICULTIES. IT WAS ONE OF FOUR LIMA AFTERNOON DAILIES OF NATIONAL CIRCULATION AND WAS AMONG THOSE EXPROPRIATED AS PART OF EL COMERCIO'S ASSETS. IT IS THE FIRST NEWSPAPER TO CEASE PUBLICATION SINCE THE MILITARY GOVERNMENT SEIZED THE PRIVATELY OWNED DAILIES AND TURNED THEM OVER TO "ECONOMIC SECTORS" UNDER GOVERNMENT-APPOINTED EDITORS.

2. A NEWS STORY IN TUESDAY'S LEFTIST EXPRESO SAID MOST OF AFICION'S STAFF HAS BEEN INCORPORATED INTO EL COMERCIO'S STAFF. HOWEVER, ORLANDO VASQUEZ, MANAGING EDITOR OF THE DAILY, TOLD USIS HE HAS BEEN FIRED ALONG WITH THREE OTHER EDITORS. THE MIRO QUESADA FAMILY, OWNERS OF THE EXPROPRIATED EL COMERCIO, BEGAN PUBLISHING AFICION ABOUT A YEAR AGO TO SATISFY LEFTIST UNION DEMANDS TO RENEW PUBLICATION OF ANOTHER AFTERNOON TABLOID, EL COMERCIO GRAFICO, WHICH THE MIRO QUESADAS HAD SUSPENDED BECAUSE OF FINANCIAL LOSSES.

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